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Wye's Letter verbatim, London, July 12.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland.

THE Fleet continues at Spithead; and when they will have Orders to ſail, is as uncertain as ever. There is a Letter from Paris of the 15th Inſt. N. S. which ſays they had Information from ſeveral Parts, that an Expreſs was juſt arrived at Hanover from Vienna, whereby his Imperial Majeſty intreats the K. of G. Britain to defer the Departure of the combin'd Squadrons at Spithead, till an Anſwer arrives from his Catholick Majeſty to a Letter the Emperor wrote him with his own Hand, exhorting him to accept of the Propoſals of the Allies of Hanover with regard to the pacific Negociations. On the other hand this Letter tells us, that the Departure of the Courier Banniers from Port S. Mary's was poſtpon'd, on account of the K. of Spain's great Deſire of firſt knowing what News will be brought by the laſt Courier he diſpatched to th'Emperor. Upon the whole, People are apt to think that the Time allowed this Prince for giving in his Anſwer is expired. But if ſo, we can hardly believe he will be indulged with a further Prorogation, at leaſt for any conſiderable Time; his Treatment towards this Nation has not been ſo engaging: Of which we have freſh Inſtances, particularly with reſpect to the *Durſley Galley* Man of War, viz. That when ſhe arrived off La Vera Crux from Jamaica, the Captain ſent his Lieutenant aſhore with a Packet for the Britiſh Factory there: But the Spaniards would not ſuffer them to paſs by the Caſtle, ordering the Lieutenant and Boat's Crew aſhore there, where they were examined concerning their Buſineſs, and then the Lieutenant was conducted to the Governor, of whom he deſired Leave to deliver his Packets; which was refuſed, and he was denied Leave of ſeeing any of his Countrymen, nor could he learn the State and Condition of the Ship *Prince Frederick*. Mean time the S. S. Company are fitting up ſeveral of their Ships for the Spaniſh W. Indies; and Yeſterday they fixed the Stations of the 4 Perſons appointed laſt Week to be their Factors at Buenos Ayres.

'Tis wrote from Portſmouth of the 10th Inſt. that there was no Talk of the Fleet's ſailing, only 3 or 4 Ships under Admiral Stewart for the W. Indies. And from on board the *Cornwall* of the ſame Date, that Sir Charles treats ſplendidly; and that the Duke of Hamilton with his two Brothers din'd with him the ſame Day.

'Tis now diſcourſed, that Dr. John Hoadly, Biſhop of Furnes in Ireland, will be tranſlated to the Abpk. of Dublin; and that a Marriage is on foot between the D. of Portland and the Lady Diana Spencer, Grand-daughter to the Dutcheſs Dowager of Marlborough, who gives her 40,000 l. and after her Deceaſe, 10,000 l. per annum.

Yeſterday the Grand Jury of London found a Bill of Indictment againſt Bacon Morris, Eſq; and Richard Bullock, for attempting to commit Sodomy: Their Trial is put off till next Seſſions.

This Day the Rev. Mr. Rowland was tried upon the Indictments mentioned in our laſt; and it appeared by many Evidences, that Juſtice Ryalton was not at the Meeting, therefore had no Hand in acquitting the Sodomites. And as to Mr. Juſtice Blankenberg, it appeared that there was no leſs than 12 other Juſtices preſent, in order to examine theſe Sodomites; and that 5 of them were then committed, and they againſt whom there was no Evidence were diſcharged: So that Mr. Rowland was found guilty.

The Trial of Bambrige upon the Bill of Indictment found againſt him laſt Thurſday for Felony, is put off till Monday ſennight. A Commiſſion is paſſing the Seals, to be ſent down to the Biſhop of Durham, for a Goal delivery of that County.

From a Weekly Journal, July 12.

Letters from Hanover ſay, an Expreſs came there from Vienna, to deſire the K. of G. Britain not put to Sea, till his Imperial Majeſty received an Anſwer to a Letter he has writ with his own Hand to the King and Queen of Spain; which, if complied with, is as much as to ſay, that the combin'd Fleet would

would not put to Sea this Year: For no doubt but their Catholick Majesties will will find as good Pretences to detain the Courier that is to bring their Answer to the Emperor, as they do by Banniers. In the mean time 'tis advised, that two Muscovite Ships of War are sail'd thro' the Sound to join the Spaniards, who have a good Number of Ships of War ready to put to Sea, with several Merchant Ships, having on board Forces, Ammunition, and Instruments for breaking Ground, and are in a fair Way to gain Time enough to put their Designs in Execution, if they dare undertake any thing while so formidable a Fleet lyes ready to punish their Temerity.

They tell us from Paris, that the Sieur Bannieres (not the famous Courier of that Name, but one who goes by the Name of the Toulousian Actor) continues to give great Satisfaction on the Stage. We are assured, that the Coming of the other will occasion a Reform of our Theatres; that many of the Players will be broke, others reduc'd to Half-pay, and a new Ministry established, of much greater Consequence than what we have at present upon the Stage.

The united Squadrons remain still at Spithead; nor do we hear of any Orders for their sailing, or what is the Design of their Equipment. All we can say is, that the Officers of both Nations continue to entertain their Visitors in a very splendid Manner; which, for ought we know, they may do in compliance with the prevailing Maxim among modern Politicks, *That Treating is better than Fighting.*

Private Letters from Portsmouth give an Account that great Shoals of little Fish have been lately seen near that Place, with which the old Fishermen are intirely unacquainted; but some Virtuosi, whose Curiosity had brought them thither, give their Opinion, they were of that Species of Fish, which are so well known to the Learned by the Name of the *Remora.* It is said that they were observed to come from the Coast of France, and that several of them will be sent up to the Royal Society, in hopes that those great Adepts may discover the secret Cause of that *wonderful Power*, which is able to *retard the Navigation of the largest Vessels.*

From the Daily Post Boy, July 12.

Petersburg, June 15. The Czar has offered considerable Sums to Prince Thamas, to enable him to make a Diversion in Persia, in case Sultan Esref rejects the Proposals made him by this Court. An Express is arrived at Moscow from Spain, with important Dispatches for the D. of Liria; which being communicate to our Court, several Conferences were held upon them, at which the Czar was present.

Cadix, June 21. The English S. S. Ship the *Prince Frederick* lies still at La Vera Crux, something being still wanting for her Departure.

Most People think, that the Camp of 10 or 12000 Men, which is to be formed at La Piedad, is design'd for some greater Expedition than the Diversion of the Princes.

Paris, July 15. Orders are given for equipping the Fleet at Toulon against the Tripolines, for the Trick put upon us in translating their Treaty of Peace. Some Letters from Spain mention so fierce an Engagement between an English and a Spanish Man of War in the W. Indies, that not above 5 or 6 Men were left of a Side, who were not kill'd or wounded.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, July 12.

Hanover, July 15, On the 13th by 8 in the Morning the King went to the Camp near this City, to make the general Review of the Troops there: The Cavalry was on the two Wings, and the Infantry in the Centre. After the King had gone round the Line, and was come on Horseback before his Tent, he made the Cavalry advance, and pass by in Ranks; and then his Majesty alighted at the Approach of the Infantry, who marching by in Ranks, took up 3 Hours. The Duke of Beveren, the Prince of Holstein, Bishop of Lubeck, P. George of Hesse-Cassel, with the Foreign Ministers, and the Persons of the first Kank, were near the King. The Number of Spectators almost was almost equal to that of the Troops. About 5 in the Evening his Majesty returned to Herenhausen, very well satisfied with the Appearance of the Troops. Yesterday only the Cavalry was assembled: His Majesty being come thither early, with the Foreign Princes, &c. reviewed 4 Regiments, who performed their Exercise, and formed a Sort of Fight with Sabres in Hand, and firing of Pistols. This Day his Majesty reviewed the other Regiments of Horse, and Tomorrow will begin the Review of the Infantry. The general Review will be over on Monday or Tuesday next.

Edinburgh, July 17. This Week a Lad who had gone in to Musselburg Water to wash, was drowned. Another young Man stept in to his Relief, and had also perished; but by the Assistance of some Soldiers, who luckily were then passing that way,

he was haul'd out with ſome Life.

Seven Companies of Cadogan's Regiment are arrived in Canongate, and the other 5 are on their March.

This Day (being the 3d of the Moon) 'tis High Water at Leith at 3 o' Clock, 54 Min. Tomorrow, at 4, 42 Min. On Saturday, at 5, 30 Min.

Haddington, July 11, 1729.

Beſt Wheat,	12 00 00.	2d, 11 10 00.	3d, 10 15 00
Beſt Bear,	09 19 00.	2d, 09 10 00.	3d, 09 00 00
Beſt Oats,	09 06 00.	2d, 09 00 00.	3d, 08 10 00
Beſt Peaſe,	09 14 00.	2d, 09 00 00.	3d, 08 14 00

ADVERTISEMENTS.

By Order of the Truſtees of the Creditors of WILLIAM DOUGLAS *of* GLENBERVY *and* ROBERT DOUGLAS *of* SCOTSCRAIG,

The Roup and Sale of the Lands and Eſtate of SCOTSCRAIG, FOODY and FINGASK, is Prorogate to Monday the Twenty-eighth of July Inſt. within the Houſe of Mris. Thom Vintner, Edinburgh, 'twixt the Hours of 3 & 5 in the Afternoon. The Rental, Progreſs and Conditions of Sale are to be ſeen in the Hands of WILLIAM FORBES Writer to the Signet.

¶†¶ That the LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, being the Second Storey of that Tenement of Land at the Head of Mackenzie's Cloſe adjacent to the Stone-land at the Head of Blackfriers-wynd, lately poſſeſſed by Dr. John Lermonth Phyſician in Edinburgh, conſiſting of 6 Fire-rooms, ſeveral Cloſets, a convenient Kitchen, all well lighted; 3 Garrets, 2 whereof are Fire-rooms; with a Cellar: AS ALSO, Five Storeys above the Shops of the Timber-land, lying on the Eaſt-ſide of, and adjacent to the ſmall Stone-land called *Purdie's Land*, on the North-ſide of the High Street of Edinburgh, a little above the Guard, which formerly belonged to the deceas'd James Nicolſon Under-clerk of the Bills, and now to his Creditors; ARE to be expoſed to Sale, either jointly or ſeparately, upon the 22d Day of July Inſt. betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon, in the Houſe of Alexander Stuart Vintner in Edinburgh. The Progreſs of Writs, Rental, and Conditions of Roup, are to be ſeen in the Hands of *George Handiſide* Writer in Edinburgh.

¶¶¶ That the Good Ship the *Margaret of Preſtonpans*, Burden between 70 & 80 Tons, Capt. David Reid, with her Float-boat, Furniture and haill Apparelling, as ſhe preſently lies in the Harbour of Port-Seton; is to be expoſed to publick voluntar Roup and Sale, in the Houſe of *George Mackenzie* Merchant in Port-Seton, upon Wedneſday the 23d Day of July Inſtant, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 in the Afternoon. The Inventary of the Ship and Articles of Roup, are to be ſeen in the Shop of Baillie William Carmichael, on the North ſide of the High Street, Edinburgh, oppoſite to the Croſs-well; at Brody's Coffeehouſe in Leith, and in the Hands of the ſaid George Mackenzie at Port-Seton; who will likewiſe ſhow them the Ship, Furniture and Condition.

¶¶¶ That the Lands and Shops and Officehouſes, in the Burgh of Dumfries, [illegible] pertained to Thomas Hunter Chirurgeon there, Are, all together, or ſeparately, to be expoſed to Sale by publick voluntary Roup, by the Magiſtrates of the ſaid Burgh and the Truſtees appointed by the ſaid Thomas Hunter, in the Council-chamber in Dumfries, on the *Second Thurſday* of Auguſt next, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 after Noon. The Rental, Progreſs, and Conditions of Sale, are to be ſeen at the Town clerk's Office in Dumfries.

¶¶¶ That the voluntary Roup of the Eſtates of FODDEKANCE and KINNOCHTREE, formerly adverti[illegible] to the 19th and 25th of June laſt, is now Prorogued to *Friday* the Firſt Day of Auguſt next; when it is to proceed in John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon. The Rentals, Conditions of Sale and Progreſs of Writs, are to be ſeen in the Hands of *Alexander Chriſtie* Writer in Edinburgh, at his Chamber in the 4th Storey of Wilkie's Land, at the Back of the Guard.

¶¶¶ That the LANDS and MAINS of *Temple*, lying 7 Miles South of Edinburgh, conſiſting upwards of 160 Acres arable Ground, all incloſed and fenced, either by Ditch and Hedge, or a good Stone and Lime Dike, Are to be ſette in Tack at Martinmas next, by publick Roup, for ſuch Number of Years as ſhall be agreed on. And that the Taxman may have the better Judgment of the Soil, theſe advertiſe, That the CROPT on ſaid Mains is to be expoſed to Sale by public Roup, before cutting down thereof, in Whole or Parcels, on the 2d Friday of Auguſt next, with the *Labouring Inſtruments*. N. B. Any Perſon who inclines to view the Ground, Sit-houſe, Granary, and other Conveniencies, which are in good Repair, ſhall be waited on at the Town of Temple.

BY ADJOURNMENT,

¶¶¶ That the Lands which appertained to the deceaſt JAMES MONTEITH of MILNHALL, viz. The Lands of *Whiteſide*, paying of yearly Rent about *L.* 255 14 10 Scots. Item, The Lands of *Clerkſtoun*, paying of yearly Rent about *L.* 240 17 08 Scots. Item, The Lands of *Gilſtoun*, paying of yearly Rent about *L.* 570 10 10 Scots. Item, The Lands of *Little-Kerſe*, paying of yearly Rent about *L.* 440 15 00 Scots, and having a well-finiſh'd convenient Houſe, Officehouſes and Dovecoat (not rentall'd) appertaining thereto. Item, The two Mills of *Polmont*, having a great Thirlage, and the Mill-Lands, paying of free yearly Rent, *L.* 1435 07 06 Scots, compting the Victual at 100 l. the Chalder, beſide Kains and Carriages not rentall'd; lying in the Pariſh of Falkirk and Sheriffdom of Stirling, and holden Feu partly of His Grace the Duke of Hamilton, and partly of John Hamilton of Bangour: Are to be expoſed to Sale, by way of voluntar Roup, either in Whole or in Parcels, upon *Wedneſday the* 23d Day of July Inſt. betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, in the Houſe of *Robert Biggar* Vintner in Edinburgh. The Rental of the Lands, Progreſs of the Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be ſeen in the Hands of *Hugh Flemyng*, Writer to the Signet, at his Writing chamber the firſt Stair of the Luckenbooths next the Croſs, and in the Hands of *Thomas Smith*, Writer in Linlithgow.

†¶† There

¶ There is to be Sold by voluntar Roup, in the House of Robert Biggar Vintner in Edinburgh, upon the 23d of July Instant, at 3 a-clock after Noon, the Lands and Barony of *Newton of Falkland*, lying in the Shire of Fife, holding Feu of the Crown, paying yearly 82 Bolls, 2 Firlots, 2 Pecks Bear, 23 Bolls Oats, and *L.* 529, 12, 06 Scots of free Rent, after all Deductions. The saids Lands are to be sold jointly or separately. The Rental, Progress and Conditions, are to be seen at the Writing-chamber of JOHN RUSSEL of BRAIDSHAW, Writer to the Signet, opposite to the Cross-well. The Rental and Conditions of Sale are likewise to be seen at the House of *Thomas Aiſon* Writer in Glentarchie.

¶ That the Roup of a Parcel of Bibles &c (formerly advertised to be upon the 16th July Instant) is Prorogate to the 22d Inſt. when the same is to proceed, in the Parliament house, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 6 after Noon. The Conditions of Sale are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Keith, one of the Under-clerks of Session; and at the Shops of Mr. Robert Freebairn, John Paton, and Mr. James Mac Euen, Booksellers in Edinburgh.

Advertisement from the Trustees of MERCHISTON, BLAIR and LETHEM.

The TRUSTEES having prepared all things for a Sale of the Lands of Merchiston, resolve, That the Ranking shall be immediately finished, that so a Dividend may be made without Delay, when the Money comes to be paid; This is therefore to advertise all the Creditors of the respective common Debitors, that they furthwith Depone before the ARBITERS upon the Verity of their Debts; and for that Purpose, Attendance will be given by the Arbiters in John's Coffeehouse, upon each Friday and Wednesday in the Week (betwixt the Hours of 4 and 5 in the Afternoon) of this Session, for taking the Creditors Oaths; who are intreated to come in speedily for that Purpose, that so their own Affairs may not be prolonged. Such as cannot come in, may apply to the Arbiters, by their Doers, for a Commission; which will be granted, if they shew a reasonable Cause or Impediment why they cannot come in to depone at Edinburgh.

¶¶¶ That the Lands of Over, Nether and Middle DASHERS, being a Five-Pound-Land of old Extent, holding *Blanche* of the Crown for Payment of a *Rose at Midsummer*; amounting to One thousand eighty three Pounds Scots of Money-rent; 63 Bolls 3 Firlots Meal; 22 Bolls 1 Firlot 2 Pecks Bear, with several valuable Casualities; having 4 Fairs in the Year, with a weekly Market each Wednesday at *Kippen*, with Woods, Mosses and Muirs, a good little House with many convenient Officehouses, handsome Gardens and Inclosures, amounting to about 56 Acres, (not set in Tack, nor contained in the above Rental) and divided into 7 different Inclosures, most of 'em Stone Dikes, with a good deal of Planting; lying in the Parish of Kippen and Shire of Stirling: ALL to be exposed to a voluntary Roup and Sale, in Whole or Parcels, THIS DAY the *Seventeenth* Inst. in the House of Mris. Thom Vintner in Edinburgh, 'twixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Progress and Conditions of Roup to be seen in the Hands of *HUGH GRÆME* Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in Liberton's Wynd, or at *JAMES HALIBURTON*'s Writing-chamber opposite to the Luckenbooths. The Inventary of the Writs and Conditions of Roup, may also be seen at the *Sheriff Clerk's Chamber in Stirling.*

By the Trustees for the Creditors of MERCHISTON (By ADJOURNMENT)

The Lands and Barony of MERCHISTON, with the FEUS thereto belonging, Lying, Comprehending, and Paying of free yearly Rent, as formerly advertised, are to be exposed to Sale in Bulk, on *Friday* the 1st August, in the House of Wm. Gray Vintner in the Assembly Close, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon. And in case Purchasers do not appear for buying the Lands whole-sale, then they are immediately, and at the same Diet, to be exposed to Sale by the Parcels and at the Rents following, *viz.* The Lands of *Tipperline* and *Myreside*, and the Feu belonging to Richard Johnston, with 34 Acres of the arable Land next adjacent thereto, and presently possessed by Rankeilor, paying yearly as follows, viz. these possessed by Alexander Scot Tenant, L. 73, 6, 8, in Money, and 42 Bolls 3 Firlots 1 Peck Wheat, 89 Bolls 2 Pecks Bear, 12 Bolls 2 Firlots 2 Pecks 1 Lippie Oats, 24 Hens, 32 Carriages, and 6 Turse of Straw; Richard Johnston, for his Feu, L. 345, 12, 6, and the said 34 Acres possessed by Rankeilor being at L. 22, 10, per Acre. *Item*, The Lands of *Gorgiemuir*, *Sunderland* and *Duncanslee*, with 33 Acres wanting 3 Falls of the arable Land next adjacent, also presently possessed by Rankeilor, and paying yearly as follows, viz. the Lands possessed by John Young, 34 Bolls Wheat, 107 Bolls Bear, 13 Bolls Oats, and 4 Bolls Pease, with 40 Hens, 86 Carriages, and 6 Turse of Straw; and the said Acres possessed by Rankeilor, also at L. 22, 10, per Acre. *Item*, The Lands called *Tyncastle*, and Lands called *Twenty-Acres*, and Lands of *Craig-Inglis*, possessed by John Fairer, paying yearly L. 5, 6, 8, in Money, and 29 Bolls 3 Firlots 1 Peck Wheat, 79 Bolls 1 Firlot 3 Pecks Bear, 6 Bolls 2 Firlots 2 Pecks Oats, with 24 Hens, and 40 Carriages. *Item*, The Parks, consisting of 44 Acres, 35 Falls, (after Deduction of near 4 Acres for the Gardens, Houses, &c.) at L. 25 per Acre, and a Parcel of Land on the North-East of them, consisting of 14 Acres, 46 Falls, at L. 22, 10, per Acre; with the House, Gardens and Planting, the Gardens containing 3 Acres or thereby, not rentalled, and to be set up at L. 400 Sterl. and 12 Cotehouses, paying L. 67 yearly. *Item*, William Adam and James Bayne's Feus, the first paying L. 637, 10, and the other L. 150 yearly, are to sold, either separately, or along with any of the foregoing Parcels. *Item*, The Feu-duty of L. 4 payable to the Crown, and 7 Bolls 2 Firlots Wheat, and 89 Bolls 2 Firlots 3 Lippies Bear, of payable Teind, is to be deduced from the several Parcels in proportion to the Quantity of Rent; and the 20 Merks payable to the Town of Edinburgh of Feu for Little Merchiston, is to be deduced from the Rent of the Parcel in which it falls. The L. 200 payable by the Town of Edinbugh during the Gift of the 2 Pennies on the Pint of Ale, is to be set up at 15 Years Purchase to any Purchaser. The general and particular Rentals, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of JAMES HALIBURTON, Writer to the Signet and Clerk to the Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

Nota, *The Lands in Tenantry are very cheap set, a good part being less than 2 Bolls, and the rest not above 2 Bolls 2 Pecks per Acre. A Map and Measure of the several Parcels of the Estate, done by Mr. Adams, is to be seen in John's Coffee house.*